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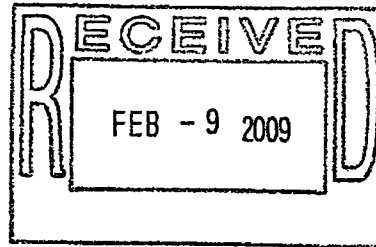
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Fred Craft
U. S. Energy
877 North 800 West
Riverton, Wyoming 82501

Subject: Clarification of Disturbed Area, U. S. Energy, Tony M/Lucky Strike Mine, M0170001, Garfield County, Utah

Dear Mr. Craft:

The permitted disturbed area associated with the Tony M/Lucky Strike mine, permit number M0170001, has decreased over the past few years as other entities have taken over, and bonded, portions of the disturbed area. Currently, the only disturbed area remaining is an ore stockpile south of the mine on the east side of Shootamaring Canyon. The other ore stockpiles are within areas bonded for reclamation by Denison Mines and by Jim Butt.

The Division has not measured the size of the stockpile still remaining within your permitted area, but the information you provided indicates it is 2.79 acres. We have no reason to doubt this figure; it appears to be correct. On February 2, 2008, the Division received another map from you indicating additional area has been disturbed and showing the total disturbed as 3.20 acres. Once again, although we have not verified this information, it appears to be correct.

I hope this provides the information you need, but please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached by telephone at 801-538-5261 or by e-mail at paulbaker@utah.gov

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker
Minerals Program Manager

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